

# Louisville Evening Express.

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## THE CITY.

### Our Second Edition.

The commercial, markets, additional telegraphic and local news will be printed in our second edition.

### The Fourth.

We will issue the Express as usual on Monday morning, but will omit our evening edition, in order to celebrate the glorious—Fifth.

### Picnic.

The scholars and teachers of Zion Episcopal Church Sunday school go on a grand picnic excursion, to a beautiful grove near Woodlawn course, on Monday morning.

### Dead.

George Wolf's cat murdered his mocking-bird last night, whereupon he found fault with everybody about the house for pussy's naughty act—which is just like a man.

### Charley Noyes' Circus.

Which has been so heartily indorsed by almost every leading paper in the country, will open in our city, on Monday morning next, July 5th, with a grand morning matinee, at 10 o'clock, giving three performances on Monday and two on Tuesday and Wednesday, July 6th and 7th.

### Our Firemen.

All who were posted in such matters, and who were present at the display made by the Cincinnati fire department, when our Councilmen visited that city a few days since, acknowledge that our firemen best those of Cincinnati "all hollow." The Cincinnati's three water in a little more than five minutes after the alarm was sounded. Our firemen "got water" in just five minutes after the alarm was given. How's that for high?

### Excursion Down the River.

The packet Tarascon leaves this evening at 5 p. m., from the Portland wharf, for an excursion trip to Henderson and return. A trip with Capt. Mather and the courteous and obliging Miles Warren, the clerk, cannot fail to be pleasant. Our clever young friend Dalton, in the saloon, will also furnish creature comforts to the thirsty. A splendid band will also discourse music on this occasion. Half fare only for the trip.

### The Academy of Music.

This old theater, we are informed, will again be thoroughly refitted and overhauled and opened with a first-class variety company. W. P. McVillie, Louisville's favorite comedian, formerly of the Opera House Company, will be the business manager and also director of amusements; hence we may expect something pretty good of the new company. The "opening" is fixed for Saturday night of next week. More of the Academy hereafter.

### Courts Again.

Josephine Keller Mitchell, alias Georgiana Ward, alias Joe Brown, alias Ellen Bowman, colored under all circumstances, was caught by Officers Hines and Martin. Last evening, and put in jail for stealing a dress and hat from a colored girl named Mary Gilson, on Sixth street. Josephine is the same festive little African female who was found sporting a fine suit of boys' clothes, some four weeks since, and sent to the workhouse for sixteen days. She served out her term of labor faithfully, but took her old tricks of light fingered, small stealing as soon as she got out. She will be apt to go for a longer term this time. On her finger was found a very large plain gold ring, which she is supposed to have quietly borrowed from somebody.

### Accident.

Joseph Kendall, a street-car driver, met with an unfortunate accident near the corner of Fourth and Walnut streets last evening. He attempted to step on the front platform of the car while it was in motion. He missed his foothold, and one of his feet was caught by a wheel and badly mangled. The wound is a very painful one, but will not result seriously. About a week since it will be remembered, the principal German teacher of the Madison-street school met with a similar accident on the same road. Let these accidents serve as a warning to persons to be very careful how they get on cars while the same are in motion. The railroad companies are not responsible for injuries received under such circumstances.

### A Triple Mux.

Three Teutons, two men and a lady, were engaged in a nice little legal squabble in the City Court this morning. Some time since the men entered into a second-hand furniture business, and opened a store for vending these articles to the public. The wife of one of the men thought it was a good speculation, and concluded to buy an interest in the establishment. She sent to the "old country," and from friends there procured sufficient money with which to buy an equal interest in the store and stock in trade. The proper papers of transfer, acknowledgement, etc., were signed, sealed and delivered, and placed in the hands of the proper official, who has an office in the court-house. One of the men was levied upon twice, yesterday, and finally arrested, being charged with having stolen from the court-house certain papers pertaining to the contract of the triple partnership formed in the furniture business. The lady alleges that the men have now put their heads together to swindle her out of her interest in the store, and is making bitter complaint about it. One of the men is before the City Court, and the chances are that the firm will be dissolved, not by mutual consent, but from the force of circumstances.

## MURDER, ROBBERY AND ARSON.

### A Railroad Depot and Store Burned.

### Murder of Wm. R. Smith, formerly of New Albany.

At about 12 o'clock on Wednesday night, a most horrible murder was committed at Farrabee's station, twenty-seven miles from New Albany, on the Louisville, New Albany and Chicago Railroad. The depot, a large frame building, was burned. Near the depot was a store, also a wooden structure. This was also burned. The keeper of the store, Mr. Wm. R. Smith (formerly of New Albany), was murdered by the incendiaries and his body thrown into a small shed adjoining the store. When the flames were discovered by the citizens, nothing was known of the terrible murder that had been committed; but in the morning the body of Smith was found, charred and disfigured in a fearful manner. He had been killed with a heavy cudgel, or some similar instrument. Mr. Smith was sleeping in a room adjoining the store, and it is supposed he was first murdered in his bedroom, thrown into the shed, the store robbed, and the building then fired and totally destroyed. Smith was a man much esteemed by all who knew him. His father lives in Franklin township, near New Albany. Deceased had a cousin, Mr. Walter L. Smith, living in New Albany, to whose house the remains were taken.

The perpetrators of the horrible crime have not yet been captured, though detectives are, it is supposed, on their track. It is believed the murder, robbery and arson was committed by persons living near Farrabee station.

### THAT SUIT AGAINST THE CITY.

A Few Facts in the Case. Nicolson's administrator and Davis vs. the City of Louisville.—The material facts are that the city of Louisville advertised for proposals to improve two squares of Jefferson street, from Fifth to Seventh, with the Nicolson pavement. The contract was awarded to Troxell & Duckwall. After the contractors had graded the street in part, and purchased about \$5,000 worth of materials for the same, they had an interview with the plaintiff, Davis, who claimed that under assignment or license from the patentee, Nicolson, he had the exclusive right to construct such pavement within the city of Louisville. Davis, however, being anxious to introduce this pavement into the city, agreed with the contractors, Troxell & Duckwall, that they might make the proposed improvement, and he would not sue them for an infringement of his rights, but would claim his royalty from the city of Louisville. The improvement was made, and the plaintiffs seek, in this action, to recover off the city the above royalty. The amount claimed is thirty-one cents per square yard—in all about two thousand dollars. The public will await with much interest the decision of the above case. G. W. Weisinger, for the plaintiff, Graham Moore for defendant.

### The Third, Fourth and Fifth.

Several private parties are being held in the beautiful groves near the city to-day. Tomorrow the beer-gardens will be crowded with "celebrates," beer will flow as plentifully and freely as the water in the Ohio. The patrons of beer gardens will, in fact, be the only persons who will "celebrate" the Fourth hereabouts to-morrow. On Monday several school and private picnic excursions are arranged to take place; but present prospects indicate that Louisville will give the "Fourth" the go-by almost entirely. The little boys will have their "Fourth," however, and fire off and burn up the usual amount of shooting-crackers and fire-works. All in all, it will be the "driest" Fourth of July ever experienced about the falls.

### The Circus.

Let all our patrons bear in mind that Charley Noyes' great Crescent City circus opens here on Monday. The world-famed Wilson Brothers, Charley McCarthy, Nootka Cook, Miss Emma Stickney, M'Le Carotta, Signor Monteverde, all bright particular stars of the arena, are attached to this circus, and will positively appear at every performance. Do not confound the circus with any other exhibition, but go to the corner of East and Walnut streets and witness one of the best circuses that ever visited Louisville.

### Personal.

Judge Williams, of the Court of Appeals, is in the city to-day.

Judge M. R. Hardin and Judge Robertson, of the Kentucky Court of Appeals, went up to Cincinnati on the short line railroad.

The Lexington Gazette of this morning says: "We are sorry to learn that our old friend Dick Chiles is going to Louisville to live, having received an appointment in the office of the Willard Hotel. His prompt attention and accommodating ways will be greatly missed by the guests of the Phenix. Friend Richard will be a great accession to the Willard, for he has been behind the desk at the Phenix ever since he was tall enough to chin it, and few persons in Kentucky but know him, and know that he is one of the most agreeable hotel attaches they ever came in contact with. We are sorry to lose him, but hope it may prove to his personal advantage to make the change."

### The Croxton Trial.

Only four jurors for the trial of Joseph Croxton have thus far been obtained. It is doubtful whether a jury of residents of Louisville can be found. Such difficulty in obtaining a jury was never before experienced in the history of the Criminal Court of Jefferson county. No doubt now remains but that the county—that is, outside the city limits—will have to be resorted to before a jury can be found eligible to try this case. An order to this effect will most likely be issued by the court this afternoon. All but the four already sworn in to serve on the jury, who have been examined, declared that they had formed opinions as to the guilt or innocence of the prisoner, and of course were discharged. From present indications, it is difficult to even predict when the trial will actually commence; and after it does commence, it will most probably be a long and tedious case, as the evidence will be lengthy and the number of witnesses large.

### Excitement on Market Street.

At about 11 o'clock last night, a furor was created among the peaceable citizens on Market street, between Eighth and Ninth. Those who were already awake were startled, and those sleeping were awakened by loud cries of "Murder!" issuing from a house in the above locality. The cries were evidently those of a female in great distress. Several gentlemen undertook to investigate the cause of the terrible screams, and succeeded in ascertaining that a man (we mean brute) was whipping his wife in a most ferocious manner, and she was afraid he would kill her. We failed, however, to learn of any arrest being made in consequence.

### The Southern Argus.

This is the title of a large and handsome paper which recently made its appearance at Selma, Ala. The editor is Col. Robert McKee, a gentleman of splendid abilities and much experience as a journalist, and whose many friends in this State will gladly welcome his new paper to their hearts and homes. The Southern Argus is a beautiful sheet. It is printed on fine white paper, with clear open type, and contains thirty columns of choice reading matter. It is mailed to subscribers at \$3 a year. Col. McKee's enterprise deserves the most abundant success, and we hope it will receive it.

### Colored Pioneers.

The Sunday-school teachers and pupils of the Fifth-street Colored Baptist Church, attracted considerable notice as they paraded down Jefferson street this morning. They are picnicking in a grove below the city, near the river, to-day.

### Newcomb's Minstrels.

Let everybody remember that the celebrated Newcomb's Minstrels open at Weisiger Hall on Monday evening, for three nights only. Reserved seats for sale at Will. S. Hays' music store on Fourth street.

### The Trial of Mowers and Reapers.

The great trial of field machines, which has been progressing for the past four days, terminated on Friday. The judges, it is expected, after having examined the mowing done yesterday, will give their decision to-day. It has, on the whole, been the most important trial ever held in the Southwest, and fully justified the wisdom of those who projected it. We give place to a brief mention of a few of the most prominent machines.

### THE BUCKEYE.

This machine has been prominently before the American people for the past ten years, and has undoubtedly the best general reputation of any in the market. It is manufactured at more than a dozen different points. The two principal points, however, are Canton and Akron, Ohio, at which points the companies have two of the most extensive and well-appointed factories in America. The Buckeye is as portable as a gig, and can be pulled with as much facility as any wheeled vehicle. It also has a flexible cutter-bar, which will mow or reap with the machine at a horizontal and the knife at a perpendicular. It has been used in every State of the Union, and has received more than five hundred first premiums.

The Buckeye is built as a combined machine, and is adapted to either a proper hand or self rake. The latter is one of the most complete devices in use, and reflects the highest credit on the mechanical skill of L. Miller, Esq., one of the firm, who perfected it. The Buckeye is really a "farmer's friend," and the successful manner in which it performed the past week dispelled any doubts as to its great superiority. Our well-known agricultural implement dealers, Messrs. Pitkin, Wiard & Co., are the general agents for this vicinity. They have reason to be proud of the high encomiums passed on the Buckeye by farmers and others the past week.

In connection with this machine, we would state that Captain John Earnshaw added interest to the trial by the great skill he displayed in operating the Buckeye. Capt. E. is one of the firm of Willard & Co., agricultural dealers, Cincinnati, Ohio, and is one of the most enlightened men known in the business. He is one of the early friends of the Buckeye, and has safely carried it through many a hotly contested trial.

### THE RUSSELL MOWER AND REAPER.

Mr. Ruble, of Ruble & Welford, agents for the shipment of this machine in the South, had one on trial. The Russell is built at Massillon, Ohio, and is one of the standard machines of the country. A farmer, who has used one for eight years, on a rough farm, remarked to the writer: "It will be a machine after all in the market are done and worn out." There is no disputing the fact that it is really a valuable machine. The material used in its construction are of the best quality. The shafting and cutter bar are of the celebrated cold rolled, made by Jones & Laughlin, Pittsburgh, Pa., and the steel from the superior steel made by Anderson, Cook & Co., of the same city. The Russell is a combined machine, and used either with rake or dropper attachment. It made excellent work in reaping, cutting

wet lodged grain with ease. In moving it was also successful, but met with a slight accident on encountering some heavy obstacle during the excitement of the trial, which temporarily deranged it. It soon rallied, and satisfied all present of its merits as a good machine.

Our enterprising agricultural dealers, Messrs. John Duffy & Son, are the agents in this city for this machine; also for Russell's threshing and separator, and other leading improvements. Every article they sell is of the best quality, and will stand the test of trial and usage.

### THE WOOSTER SELF-RAKER.

In noting the number of excellent machines which have so creditably competed for the prizes during the past week, the above comes in for well-earned and well-deserved credit. It is manufactured at Wooster, Wayne county, Ohio, by the most reliable firm of McDonald & Co., who have an extensive factory and are provided with every improvement known in the mode of manufacturing calculated to save time and labor. The senior member of the firm is one of the most enlightened mechanics in the West, and has had years of experience in the machine business. He has made several important improvements in field machinery, and has from time to time selected the best patterns and patents, which he has turned to good account for farmers. The draft self-rake is without doubt one of the most ingenious and at the same time simple devices ever presented to the agricultural public, and is really a "farmer's friend." There is nothing about it complicated and it works with as much facility and uniform regularity as the hands of a well regulated clock. Indeed, it resembles in its workings human hands and human arms, and is both a labor-saver and ground-saver. We saw the very heaviest wet, lodged grain cut and deposited in gables without choking or clogging and straight at the bars. The draft required is light and the machine is easy to both driver and team. The gables are deposited to the side entirely out of the road for the subsequent round, which is not the case with many other devices for the same purpose. It is a combined machine and readily changed from a mower to a reaper and reversely.

Our well-known machine and implement dealers, Messrs. Bondurant & Todd, are the agents and have sold large numbers, all of which have given satisfaction. Farmers of Kentucky and others who have used the machine in question, uniformly testify to its merits. Indeed, we were informed that it has given the most unqualified satisfaction, and our worthy dealers have been fortunate in securing the agency of so valuable a machine.

REYNOLDS' MOWING AND REAPING SECTIONS. There is no manufacturer of implements but who will concede that the most important part of a machine is the section or cutting surface. It has always been difficult to get them of uniform temper. This and other objections have been overcome by Mr. Reynolds, of Reynolds, Barber & Co., Auburn, Ky., who has perfected a section that will carry an edge longer and stand more grinding without interfering with the temper than anything in use. These sections will not back nor soften, either by usage or grinding, will last longer and make a smoother cut than any in use. They are warranted and are highly recommended by all who have used them. Mr. H. C. Arnold is general agent, and has met with very favorable success with our machine men.

### THE WELFORD HORSE RAKE.

Among the field implements at the late trial, the tooth horse rake, manufactured by W. W. Wallace, Pittsburg, Pa., received high encomiums. It is self-acting—a child twelve years old can operate it. It is a great saver of time and labor in fields, it exceeds anything ever introduced. It was highly commended by the committee and farmers who examined it. The rake can be seen at the agricultural store of Pitkin, Wiard & Co., of this city.

### THE LATE JOHN O'CONNELL.

Meeting of the Police Force and Police Association, Evening—His Funeral This Morning. The particulars of the sad occurrence on Floyd street night before last have been given to the public in detail. Hence we need not recount them.

The Police Union, a most praiseworthy society, and of which John O'Connell was an esteemed member, held a meeting at their hall yesterday evening, when the following preamble and resolutions were passed by the Union:

WHEREAS, It has pleased divine Providence to send a grievous affliction upon the friends of the Police Union generally in the death of our brother, John O'Connell, who fell upon the night of the 1st of July, 1869, from a shot fired by a brother officer in the exercise of his duty;

Resolved, That the members of the police mourn the bereavement they have sustained in the sudden decease of their friend and brother.

Resolved, That the void thus created among us is one that we shall long remember and regret.

Resolved, That we tender to the relatives and friends of our deceased brother, John O'Connell, our deep and heartfelt sympathy for the irreparable loss they have sustained.

Resolved, That in the demise of our brother, John O'Connell, the police force of Louisville have lost an efficient and careful officer; one with whom they experienced pleasure in co-operating, and in the discharge of whose official duties they had every confidence.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be engrossed and signed by the President and Secretary and exposed to some conspicuous portion of the Police Union Hall, and that a similar copy be presented to the friends of our departed brother.

Resolved, That the members of the Police Union wear a badge of mourning for the space of thirty days.

### Z. P. McGrath, Chairman.

Geo. C. Shadburne, Secretary.

### MEETING OF THE POLICE.

The following is an official report of a meeting held last night.

At a meeting of the Metropolitan police force, held at the office of the Commissioners July 2, 1869, Robt. Gilchrist, Esq., was called to the chair and G. C. Shadburne was appointed secretary.

On motion, it was ordered that the chair appoint a committee to draft resolutions expressive of the feelings of the force at the death of our late brother John O'Connell. The chair selected the following named gentlemen as the committee: Benoni Figg, J. H. Shively, J. A. Weatherford, G. C. Shadburne, Patrick Treasy, R. O. Priest, Robert Gilchrist, Ed. Harding, and D. T. Bligh.

After retiring, the committee returned

and reported the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased an All-wise Providence to remove from our midst John O'Connell, a brave man, a good officer, and loved and respected by all who knew him. His death was untimely and unexpected, but from his upright conduct we have reason to believe that our loss was his gain. We hope that his path may be strewn with the brightest flowers of Paradise.

Resolved, That we in a body, and in full uniform, attend the funeral of our deceased brother.

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble and resolutions be tendered to his bereaved family, with the assurance that we deeply condole with them, and also that a copy be furnished to each of the daily papers of this city.

### ROBERT GILCHRIST, Chairman.

After the adoption of the above resolutions the following was also adopted:

Resolved, By the Metropolitan police force, that in the death of our brother, Officer John O'Connell, Esq., who was so suddenly removed from our midst, that we have no reason to reflect upon our grief and distressed brother, James H. Hendricks, who fired the pistol shot through mistake. We deplore our brother's death, and we feel distressed that the levity of some of the police force led to his untimely end. We hope and pray that a like catastrophe may never occur again.

The meeting then adjourned.

### ROBT. GILCHRIST, Chairman.

G. C. Shadburne, Secretary.

### THE FUNERAL.

The funeral services took place at St. John's Catholic Church, corner of Washington and Clay streets. The church was filled with the grieving friends of the deceased. A most touching and brief sermon was delivered; then the remains were taken from the edifice and placed in the waiting hearse, to be borne to their last resting place in the Catholic Cemetery of the West End.

The long procession was headed by a band, which played a sad dirge while the procession moved slowly and solemnly through the streets on its way to the burial place.

Peace to the soul of John O'Connell. Let his epitaph be—"He had no enemies."

Kentucky Horticultural Society.

The exhibition of fruits and flowers to-day at the Masonic Temple was fair only this being the immediate season. A basket brought by Mrs. O. L. Smith was much admired as, indeed, were several others. There were some very fine raspberries; and Stiltz contributed a fine lot of new potatoes. We append a list:

Bouquets and Flowers—Mrs. O. L. Smith, Geo. Walker, Mrs. J. S. Hall, Miss Cochran, Miss Fannie Owen, Mrs. J. A. Kennedy, J. T. Latham, Ross and Sauer.

Raspberries—Red Antwerp, Clark, Miami Black, Philadelphia, Duncan's Improved Black Cap, Doolittle's Black Cap—H. S. Duncan; Delicately Orange—E. N. Maxwell; Philadelphia, Duncan's Improved—Jacob Johnson; Davidson's Black Cap, Kirkland's Spring Set Plants—H. F. Vail; Duncan's Improved—S. L. Garr.

Cherries—Belle Magnifique, H. S. Duncan.

Peaches—Hale's Early, H. S. Duncan.

Pears—Wright's Early Butter, Jacob Johnson.

Apples—Red Arctachan and Primitive, H. S. Duncan. Red Arctachan, L. Young.

Gooseberries—Pilot, E. N. Maxwell.

For a name, H. S. Duncan.

Tomatoes—Key's First, ripening June 23d, G. Stiltz. Tilden, Geo. Walker.

Potatoes—White Sprout, Early Rose, Early Goodrich, Sovereign, planted April 10, G. Stiltz. Honey, D. Thornton.

Eggplant—Large purple, E. D. Briscoe.

Lilly Chalcodoneum—Dr. Cochran.

Blackberries—Lauton, Kittatinny, Geo. A. Owen.

The bidding at the sale after the exhibition was, as usual, quite spirited.

Commissioner Delano some time ago applied to the Attorney-General to give directions to United States Marshals in various localities to muster in a posse of assistant marshals to accompany revenue officers in the exercise of their duties in the troublesome districts. The Attorney-General replied that marshals would serve as posse, but there was no law permitting them to furnish posses, as requested by the Commissioner. Mr. Delano then applied to the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy to furnish soldiers and marines to aid and protect the officers of the revenue in the exercise of their duties. These officers in reply accede to the request of the Commissioner, and will furnish such force as may be necessary. The districts in which assistance is required is at present kept secret.

The World is responsible for the statement that the Hon. George M. Robeson, who has just been appointed Secretary of the navy, subscribed five hundred dollars toward purchasing a house for Gen. Grant. Of course, this must have been the house in Philadelphia. Toward that house Mr. Robeson gave five thousand dollars. Is it not disrespectful toward him to appoint as his successor a man who gave only five hundred?—N. Y. Sun.

Bad news for the swells who thought they had made an impression on Irma. She is so seasick that she cannot see beyond the footlights.

A confidence woman has been swindling Providence merchants on the strength of a Newport cottage, which appears to be a chateau on Espagne.

Fogg, Ordway and Chandler are having a loyal quarrel again in New Hampshire, and the odor is very offensive.

One of the pillars of Brigham Young's church tried to cut his throat with a penknife the other day.

Harding challenged the champion velocipist, Boyle, to a five-mile race, and in this weather!

### A MOST REMARKABLE DUEL.

Woman's Rights Rampant—Two Colored Ladies Fight a Duel—A Fatal Result.

From the Richmond (Va.) Dispatch.

One of the most extraordinary duels that it has ever fallen to the lot of Virginia journalists to chronicle was committed in Henrico county on Sunday last. It was a duel, in which two negro women were the belligerent parties, and of which jealousy was the moving cause.

There was a man in the case. He was one George Gills, a gay and festive fellow, hand, who, though possessing a dark skin, rejoices in the reputation of a Lothario of the first waters. Until a few months ago Julia Ann Gills, who lives on a neighboring plantation, was the happy possessor of his affections, and although never united by the parson, they were living together, in the slavery fashion, as man and wife.

Like most married people, they were supposed to be happy. The matrimonial relation, until one black day when the shining star of Ella Woodson arose upon George's horizon, and this sable beauty won his heart, and he—a naughty man—hung 'till her one's away.

To cut a sad story short, George's amatory advances culminated in the desertion of Julia, his first love, and his taking up with Ella, whose heart he soon had gained. Jealousy was life between the two women. They backbit each other; they sneered; they "jowed;" they quarreled; they threatened; and finally they fought it out on a huge rather new in the history of female pugilistic encounters.

On Sunday morning, Julia's wrath boiled over, and no longer able to restrain her temper, she went over to the "negro quarters" on Col. Knight's place, and standing at the door, boldly challenged her rival to a fight, with nobody to interfere. Ella promptly took the gauntlet up, and together they went to the duelling ground, without the seconds or surgeons who generally accompany more civilized persons engaged upon such murderous errands.

The spot chosen was a deep ravine, a long distance from any dwelling house, and completely hidden from the view of persons who traveled by the ordinary country roads. Each woman had a good stout walking stick with which they were to fight, though the use of teeth, fists, feet and finger nails was not interdicted by the code. Side by side they walked into the glade, and then, without a moment's parley to agree upon distance or signals, they flew at one another with the fury of enraged wildcats. Sticks were soon abandoned as unwieldy and requiring too long a range to be of use, and then the combatants closed in, armed only with the weapons God had given them for defense.

They wrestled a moment in silence—one woman with all the hate of an outraged wife bubbling to her finger ends, and the other burning with jealousy and fighting for life itself. Presently they fell to the ground. Ella, though the shorter and stronger, was beneath. By some means one finger of her antagonist's hand got between her teeth, and she bit it to the bone. Then came the death struggle. With her other hand, which was free, Julia, as she always, managed, in spite of all resistance, to choke her antagonist until the breath left her body. This done, she relinquished her hold, and her dusky rival lay dead at her feet.

The murdered enjoyed but for a moment the wicked sweetness of revenge. A few minutes of her crime and deed of punishment induced her to give the prostrate form one last blow, to make sure that no tales would be told by those icy lips, and then she dragged it toward the ditch, hoping to hide it from human sight. But this design was frustrated by a negro, who, happening to take a short cut through the woods on his way to church, saw her horror-struck by the sight of a wild-looking woman dragging a corpse through the briery undergrowth in the ravine below him. He gave the alarm at once, and upon his information the negroes who committed the murders were speedily arrested.

A jury of inquest, summoned by order of Justice Woodworth, viewed the body on yesterday morning. Julia made her appearance before the coroner and acknowledged the commission of the bloody deed, gave an account of the circumstances attending it, but declined to be sworn in, and was, in self-defense. The jury found that the deceased, Ella Woodson, came to her death from wounds and bruises received at the hands of Julia Ann Gills.

The accused was brought to town and lodged in a cell at the jail, where she will remain until next Saturday, when her case will be fully investigated by a court of magistrates. The deceased has been decently buried.

REVOLT AT SING SING.

Seizure of a Sloop by Seven Convicts and Attempt to Escape—The Convicts Fired Upon by the Prison Guards—The Convicts Restrainted.

POTCHKEESSE, N. Y., June 30, 1869.

There was a rush of convicts to escape at Sing Sing prison shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. They numbered seven in all. It appears that they were engaged in unloading the sloop Martha and Elizabeth of wood. Watching a good opportunity, the whole seven advanced in a body on the vessel and drove off the deck hands, cut the lines, shoved the vessel from the dock and commenced making sail. At this time the wind was blowing light, and the sloop was headed for the west shore, and had reached a respectable distance from the dock when the alarm was given and a panic ensued among the officers and guards, who started toward the end of the pier and commenced firing with great rapidity upon the escaping convicts. Seeing the force sent for their capture, and being afraid to risk their bodies on deck, five of the convicts retreated to the cabin of the vessel, while the other two remained on deck and continued their attempts to hoist the sail. The bullets from carbines whistled about them, and finally one was seen to fall. Here a small boat drew up alongside the dock, into which several prison officials sprang, and were soon rowing towards the vessel, the sails of which had fallen, and the convicts were being hoisted aboard. One of the prisoners on deck, looking nearer the officers ordered him to join his comrades below deck, at the same time pointing their carbines at him. He did not need a second order, but retreated below the vessel and found the convicts who had fallen lying prostrate, with a dangerous wound in his breast. The bullet had penetrated the right breast and passed out of the left.

The convicts below were called up one by one, bound hand and foot, and the vessel was put about, arriving back at the prison dock in a few moments, when Drake (the name of the wounded convict) was taken to the hospital and the other convicts were put in close confinement. None of the rest were wounded, though the vessel's sails and woodwork were perforated with bullets. The affair caused much excitement, but to-night everything is quiet.

## THE CAPTURED CUBANS.

### Colonel Byron's Expedition Pursued and Overtaken in Long Island Sound.

### The Men Brought to the Navy-Yard in a Half-Famished Condition.

### The Eight Hundred Men in Buckram Dwindled to One Hundred and Forty.

From the N. Y. Times, Thursday.

Lively excitement was caused at the Brooklyn Navy-yard early yesterday morning by the arrival of two United States revenue cutters, having in convoy two tugboats with a portion of the Cuban expedition on board. The vessels made their arrival just before daylight, and anchored off Cobb Dock. It



An India rubber belt four feet wide, 32 feet long, and weighing 3,600 pounds, has recently been manufactured for a grain elevator at Buffalo. It is said to be the largest belt in the United States.

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